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Every great investigator knows that he or she carries into every inquiry a narrative, not only the narrative of the past, but also the narrative of the apparent present. Indeed, the narrative is necessary for accomplishing the opening moves. One must begin somewhere.

Every great investigator knows too, that this narrative can sometimes warp his or her view of the subject at hand. Interpretation (even observation, sine qua non) of evidence consonant with the narrative is more assertive than interpretation of evidence that denies or even confutes the narrative. Often, evidence of the latter kind is not even sought (since it is very rarely found).

Every great investigator knows, finally, that the object of his or her enterprise is yet another narrative, which encompasses all the known facts, which comports with reason on the broadest human basis, and which can withstand peer review, legal adversity, or some similar stringent testing.

Therefore, it seems to me the investigation of the September 11, 2001 events ought to err on the side of going beyond mere duty and accepting the challenge of various imaginative witnesses (albeit at some remove, or in metaphor) who believe, or at least seriously suspect, that the narrative of 9/11 is not yet fully understood.

In particular, I would direct your attention to widely popularized claims that the WTCs were ☐helped☐ to the ground by internal explosives. I think this is an easily testable proposition because the dust from the collapse of the buildings must still be driven deep into every nook and cranny for blocks around, and clever lads and lassies will be able to figure out where to look and how to do the archaeology. If the examination fails to turn up any suspicious explosive residue in the dust, fine; this notion will become a narrative stub. The present apparent narrative will be strengthened.

Addressing this question will redound to your credit and to the health of the nation. I beg to suggest you undertake it.

Thank you very much,

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